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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In the Claims.

Cancel claims 1-13 and 20-27 as they directed to a non-elected invention. Applicant reserves the right to pursue these claims in later filed applications.

Cancel claims 15 and 28-30.

Please amend the claims in the following manner:

Claims 1-13 (cancelled)

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